## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

California Independent System Operator Corporation

Docket No. ER12-50-000

## ORDER OF CHIEF JUDGE CONTINUING SETTLEMENT JUDGE PROCEDURES

(Issued February 8, 2012)

- 1. The Commission, by order issued on December 12, 2011, 137 FERC ¶ 61,191, directed the Chief Judge to provide the parties with additional time to continue their settlement efforts or to assign the case to a presiding judge for hearing and decision, if appropriate.
- 2. On February 2, 2012, Judge Philip C. Baten reported that the first settlement conference was held on January 31, 2012, and that another settlement conference is scheduled for February 28, 2012. Under these circumstances, Judge Baten recommended that settlement judge procedures be continued.
- 3. The Chief Judge finds that it is in the public interest to continue the settlement judge procedures in order to allow the parties to try to reach a negotiated settlement. Accordingly, settlement judge procedures with Settlement Judge Baten are hereby continued.
- 4. The Chief Judge strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 C.F.R. § 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website under the "Documents & Filing" tab.

Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. Chief Administrative Law Judge

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